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1. MISSION PROVIDES SUMMARY OF FORTHCOMING SCHEDULED NATO EXERCISES INVOLVING TURKISH FORCES IN THE SOUTHERN REGION.

A. EXERCISE DEFENSE FURY INVOLVES THE ACTIVATION OF THE NATO NAVAL-ON-CALL-FORCE MEDITERRANEAN (NAVOCFORMED) AT IZMIR, TURKEY ON MAY 16. DESTROYERS AND FRIGATES FROM TURKEY, ITALY, UK AND US ARE SCHEDULED TO PARTICIPATE IN A MONTH OF INTENSIVE EXERCISES. UNDER THE CONTROL OF COMNAVSOUTH, THE ALLIED NAVAL FORCE WILL PARTICIPATE IN GUNNERY, AIR DEFENSE, ELECTRONIC WARFARE, ANTI-SUBMARINE AND UNDERWAY REPLENISHMENT TRAINING.

B. EXERCISE DAWN PATROL 75 IS THE MAIN ANNUAL SOUTHERN REGION NAVAL EXERCISE, WITH AMPHIBIOUS AND LAND BASED AIR FORCE PARTICIPATION. THE EXERCISE, SCHEDULED TO TAKE PLACE IN THE MEDITERRANEAN AREA JUNE 17 TO 29, INVOLVES ABOUT 50 SHIPS FROM TURKEY, ITALY, UK AND US. THESE SAME COUNTRIES AND FRG WILL PROVIDE AIRCRAFT TO SUPPORT THE EXERCISE. ITALY, US, UK AND CONFIDENTIAL

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THE NETHERLANDS WILL PROVIDE AMPHIBIOUS FORCES.

2. ALTHOUGH OUR AVAILABLE INFORMATION IS SPARSE, MISSION ANTICIPATES THAT TURKISH FORCES WILL TAKE PART IN THE

CENTO AIR DEFENSE EXERCISE-SHAHBAZ 75-SCHEDULED TO TAKE
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